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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION  
EXPEDITED EXAMINING PROCEDURE- GROUP 1700/ART UNIT 1712**

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SERIAL NO.	:	09/831,566
FILED	:	May 10, 2001
FOR	:	WATER-SOLUBLE NANOSTRUCTURED METAL-OXIDE COLLOIDS AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SAME
ART UNIT	:	1712
EXAMINER	:	R. Tavening

May 27, 2003

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

SIR:

In response to the Final Rejection dated February 26, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Amend the indicated claims to read as follows:

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**RETRANSMISSION OF AMENDMENT  
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SIR:

Applicants filed an amendment on May 27, 2003, in response to the final rejection mailed on February 26, 2003. That amendment was filed via fax to one of the published fax numbers for the group handling the examination.

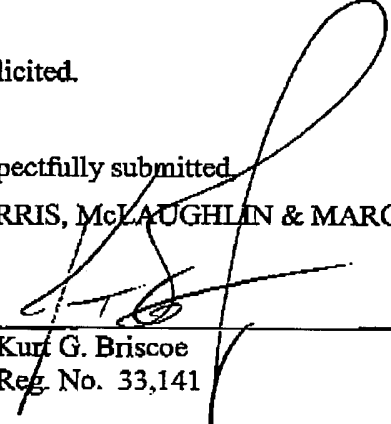
When by today there still was no response to the amendment, the undersigned telephoned Examiner Lovering and was informed that the amendment had not been received. The undersigned indicated that a successful transmission report had been supplied by the Patent Office's own fax machine. Examiner Lovering then suggested that the undersigned resubmit the amendment along with the transmission report to the fax machine of Mr. Lovering's supervisor.

Application No.: 09/831,566  
Retransmission of Amendment filed May 27, 2003  
In Response to Office Action Dated February 26, 2003

In accordance with Mr. Lovering's suggestion, there is now attached a copy of the amendment, the Patent Office's transmission report, a Notice of Appeal and a two-month petition for extension of time. Upon receipt of these papers, Examiner Lovering is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned at telephone number 212-808-0700 so that the receipt of these items can be confirmed. The Examiner's cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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